GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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MEDICAL GRANTS COMMISSION
R.L. JALAPPA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have released grants to Government Medical Colleges in Karnataka, which are suffering due to paucity of funds;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government are considering to set up a Medical Grants Commission on the lines of University Grants Commission; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : `Health` being a State subject the Central Government have no regular scheme for providing financial assistance to State run medical colleges. However, a pilot project for providing financial assistance to the selected Government Medical Colleges for strengthening of Diagnostic facilities has been introduced. Under this scheme a proposal of Govt. of Karnataka was received for financial assistance to Bangalore Medical College, Bangalore.The proposal was not found as per the guidelines of the scheme and the State Govt. has been requested to submit the proposal as per the guidelines of the scheme.

(c) & (d) : There was a proposal for establishment of Medical Grants Commission but in view of scarce resources, the proposal had been kept in abeyance.